

## THE SUMMER WIDOWERS' A GO

### NEW FIELDS GOOD IN MASSIVE HOT WEATHER SHOW.

"Musical Panorama in Seven Views" is the title of Glen MacDonough's wit, musical and varied comedy. Mr. Fields is now a delirious dancer.

The first of the big, glittering summer shows which have come to be such a characteristic product of the American theatre was last night after a postponement of two days at the Broadway Theatre. There had been a delay to rehearse new members of the company, for these complicated hit or miss productions always seem to be more or less of a tossup until they get before the public.

"The Summer Widowers" was the name of last night's novelty. Glen MacDonough was its author. A. Baldwin Sloane contributed its musical numbers—with some outside assistance—the gentleman who insists upon making everybody more or less familiar with him by writing himself down as Ned Wayburn, was responsible for its stage management, while the popular Lew Fields was the proprietor as well as player of one of the principal roles.

These are facts that make for long runs and success if one happens to remember "The Midnight Sun" and "The Jelly Bachelors." Glen MacDonough is a past master at the difficult art of stringing together these drawn-out series of specialties, following one transplanted vaudeville act with another, keeping some sort of sequence in the movement of this massive combination of scenery, actors and singers and yet not pausing too long for plot or the exhibition of his own nimble wit, which is very likely to possess and sparkle peculiarly its own when there is time to give it opportunity and yet not stop the show too long. A. Baldwin Sloane is a virtuoso of the (in an alley school who can roll out his jangle with the best of them. And won to the lagging chorus girl when Ed—Ned Wayburn is on the job.

Then there were other conditions to favor "The Summer Widowers," which was described as "a musical panorama in seven views." There were the usual recruits from that sister stage of vaudeville where smoking is allowed and the curtain does not fall—have come to be the only distinctive characteristics of the music halls nowadays. Irene Franklin, a headliner of renown in her earlier field; Ada Lewis, Willis P. Sweetnam, Paul Nicholson and Angie Vernon, Fritz Williams, Eugene O'Rourke, David Lambert and a German comedian, including Lew Fields, were on hand, with a chorus so numerous and scenes so abundant that the whole action could be changed every quarter of an hour and a lot of new entertainers sent tripping out before a spoiled public.

This is the formula that Mr. MacDonough, Mr. Fields and their associates have tested in the past so successfully. That to find success in its use is not only so easy as it looks one need only recall similar summer shows where all the material aids to success were at hand but failed to bring about the result at which their sponsors were all aiming.

Last night these elements combined to make "The Summer Widowers" a complete success. It was triple extract excellence, extra illustrated fun that never tired of its use in its use, not only so easy as it looks one need only recall similar summer shows where all the material aids to success were at hand but failed to bring about the result at which their sponsors were all aiming.

Such complicated mechanical effects as the suitcase of departing husbands that were convertible into a full-blown bar and tables and a host of chorists in "Midnight Sun" and "The Jelly Bachelors" were not to be seen in the "Summer Widowers." There was a stage—these went to the credit of Mr. Wayburn. Every one of them derived value from Mr. Sloane's tinsel accompaniment and the exquisite only of the dresses and the scenery in every scene. Mr. Williams, Mr. Nicholson and above all, Ada Lewis, contributed their politer share of the evening's fun, which had always the savor of Mr. MacDonough's wit that was potent in nearly every line.

It was not so long ago that a single scene of the kind shown last night had been carried to favor the musical farce of "The Summer Widowers." There were so many of these last night that the audience lost count of them before the first act was finished. The piece moved forward at such a tempo that interest never flag and the comedy was kept in the fun that the infant imitators of certain brazen music hall performers had been dispensed with with little to the entertainment.

**MAUDE ADAMS AS ROSALIND.**

Performance to-morrow night in Greek Theatre at Berkeley, Calif.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 4.—Before an audience of 8,000 people in the Greek Theatre on the University of California campus, and with stage setting that ought to surpass in beauty and originality any Shakespearean outdoor scene ever arranged in America, Maude Adams will appear Monday night as Rosalind in Shakespeare's "As You Like It."

Five days ago every reserved seat for the performance was sold. The only tickets that remain available now are the unsold seats in the upper portion of the Greek amphitheatre. The audience in point of numbers and in paid admission will be even greater than the record established at the open air theatre by Sarah Bernhardt.

Miss Adams will be supported by a special company brought on here from New York by Charles Froedrich. Over 200 people will figure in the cast and the play will be given as Shakespeare wrote it.

**CHICAGO RAN ON A PLAT.**

The Chief of Police Won't Allow "Alma" to Be Produced.

CHICAGO, June 4.—"Alma who wohnt da" will not be played at the Illinois Theatre a week from to-morrow, nor at any other time. Chief of Police Steward has put his foot firmly down on the performance, and no matter where Alma's residence it will not be in this city. 200 The chief and the city censor have had enough of alleged immoral plays, and "Alma" is the latest to be suppressed. The play was studied carefully by the chief of police before he took action.

Fire at Holly Beach, N. J.

HOLLY BEACH, N. J., June 4.—Firemen at Holly Beach after two hours of the fiercest kind of fire fighting this afternoon succeeded in getting control of the flames that for a time threatened a block of buildings. Before they had the fire under control the plants of the Central Ice Company, the Davis Ice Cream Company, the lumber mill and a fish factory owned by Mayor Frank H. Smith of Holly Beach and the Holly Beach Hotel, were nearly destroyed. The thousands of pounds of fish in the cold storage plant were burned. It is estimated the loss is \$50,000, with no insurance.

## POLAIRE NOT SO UGLY.

Anyhow It Isn't Her Business to Be Beautiful, but to Dance.

Polaire, who is French and has been described by some of her ungallant countrymen as homely—which the ship news men declare is a libel—arrived yesterday by the French liner *La Savoie*. She is handsome when she smiles and she is not unkind when she doesn't, which is seldom. But her specialty is not smiling and not looking beautiful; it is dancing. Also it may be said that she boasts of a waist line of the wasp variety. She is as proud of that waist line as New York is not of its belt line.

Polaire—it is not necessary, Monsieur, to call me Madame did they call Napoleon Monsieur?—displays her shapely form and asked the newspaper men to please note how fine they were. They were noted and photographed. Then she remarked that her waist had been the admiration of Paris and other select centres of taste and that she believed a tape measure would show that it was well, why go into sordid mathematical details? Let us say, as the press agent declared, that the tape measure marked about twenty-two inches.

The value of her jewelry as estimated by Miss Nellie Revell, who is the press agent, is not less than \$17,000 and not more than \$20,000, and the dance gave a bond that she would not dispose of it and all her fine dancing gowns while here. Polaire says she labors for art alone, but Hammerstein's "Follies" will give her enough wages to fill out her waist line if hunger is what keeps it constricted.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TURNOUT.

Thirty Thousand Boys and Girls Parade Over Across the Hudson.

Thirty thousand girls and boys dressed in their Sunday best took part yesterday afternoon in the fifty-seventh anniversary of the Sunday schools of Hudson county, N. J. Nine divisions of happy pupils and their proud teachers paraded in various parts of the county, and the turnout, according to James V. Forster, the grand marshal, was the largest in the history of the schools.

Jersey City had five divisions, North Hudson two, Hoboken one and Bayonne one, and all passed crowds of admiring folks, who had lined up on the sidewalks or gathered in the parks, where the marching hosts were reviewed. The Jersey City Sunday schools were reviewed as follows: The new West Side County Park, in the Bergen section; Columbia Park, in Greenville; Riverview Park, in Hudson City; Van Vorst Park, lower Jersey City, and the Hudson Boulevard and Bergen Avenue. Mayor H. Otto Wittmann and City Superintendent of Schools Henry Snyder reviewed the children at Riverview, West Side and Van Vorst parks, and Grand Marshal Forster and former Congressman Marshall Van Winkle at Riverview and West Side parks and on the boulevard. The reviewing officials made quick trips in automobiles between stands.

Mayor George Gonzales of Hoboken watched the parading pupils of his city as they kept straight through Hudson Park, and several town officials reviewed the West Hoboken division in the West Hoboken Park. The second North Hudson division had its stand on the Hudson Boulevard in North Bergen, and the Bayonne schools were reviewed in the city park.

At the conclusion of the parades the girls and boys were treated to ice cream and cake in their respective Sunday schools. The annual Sunday school parade in Bayonne was the largest ever held in that city. More than 3,000 children, representing sixteen churches, took part. The line of march extended almost the entire length of the city. Hundreds of houses were decorated with bunting and flags, and many clergymen, Sunday school officers and city officials. An address was made by the Rev. Edgar Bruce Price, pastor of the Bergen Point Baptist Church. The Board of Education has decided to change its manual so that in future all applicants for positions as teachers must undergo an examination by Dr. Henry D. Abbott, chief of the department of education, and the applicant to be examined by their family physician, but the board believes better results will be obtained by the new system. Those suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis will be rejected.

## TO FORFEIT PANAMA HATS.

Treasury Department Will Not Be Content With Fines Any More.

Secretary Franklin MacVane of the Treasury Department, who came to town on Thursday, had a long talk yesterday with Collector Loeb and a short one with Lloyd C. Griscom, chairman of the Republican county committee. He would not tell what he had to say to Mr. Griscom, but in regard to his conference with Mr. Loeb in the presence of Solicitor Andrews, Special Treasury Agent Whetley and United States Attorney Wise, the Secretary partly unburdened himself.

The talk was about the recent seizure of Panama hats that had been much undervalued by importers and the policy of prosecuting to the limit all violators of the customs laws. The Secretary said that recent disclosures would, he hoped, have the effect of checking importers who contemplated taking chances with the law.

Mr. Wise said that one of the results of the conference was a determination to begin forfeiture proceedings against the importers. They would not be fined, and it might be that they would be prosecuted criminally. The seizures of hats consigned to Isaac Brandon & Co., commission importers at 17 Battery place.

## SAFEGUARDS STATE FORESTS.

Network of Telephones Throughout the Catskills and Adirondacks.

UTICA, June 4.—Hereafter the telephone line is to play an important part in the safeguarding of the State's forest preserves against timber fires, according to State Forest, Fish and Game Commissioner Whipple, who in discussing the improved facilities for combating fires had this to say to-day:

"The department is 100 per cent. better equipped this year for the protection of our immense forest reserve than ever before. We now have complete networks of telephones throughout the Catskill and Adirondack mountains and are able to do better work with a smaller force."

Commissioner Whipple believes the danger of any considerable fire in the Adirondacks or Catskills in the future is extremely remote.

## BOY CREW CAPTAIN DROWNED.

Charles Carr of Ridge Manual Was With Comrades in Rowboat Which Capsized.

Boston, June 4.—Charles Carr of Cambridge, captain of the Ridge Manual Training School crew that rowed in the schooner race on the Charles River Basin on Thursday, was drowned in the Concord River at Billerica last evening. With four other members of the crew, Carr was in a rowboat which capsized in deep water. All swam ashore except Carr, and the others did not know that he was not with them until they reached land.

At the invitation of E. A. Tuttle, coachman of the school crew, Carr and the other members were at the camp of Tuttle's father, Dr. Albert H. Tuttle, for a two days vacation. Carr was 19 years old. He was a swimmer and was to have graduated this month.

## 107 AND HEAD OF THE FAMILY

AGED MENNONITE FARMER FOLLOWS GRANDFATHERS TO AMERICA.

Has \$4,500 to Show When It Is Doubtful If He Ought to Come Here—Brings a Son of 20, a Grandson of 50 and His Great-grandchildren Growing in Dakota.

A unique procession of immigrants passed out of the iron gates of the Burge Office landing at the Battery yesterday. At the head was a white haired little man of beaming complexion wearing large bone rimmed spectacles. He scorned the assistance of his gray haired son and his grandson, a youngster of 20. The alert, parchment faced little man is Peter Bekel, the oldest immigrant that ever has been admitted into this port. He arrived with a son, George, aged 20, and a grandson, Frederick, and Frederick's two children, who are under 20.

The Ellis Island inspectors were inclined to stop Frederick, who led the Bekel tribe from the barge that landed them at the island from the *Canard* Louisiana. He looked his age, and there is a tradition of the Oster sort that a man after 60 has no right to seek pastures new. Frederick referred the inquirers to his father, just astern.

"How about it, pop?" Major Somers, who speaks all the languages of Europe, asked the venerable George Bekel. Frederick's father smiled and remarked that he regretted that he could not stand sponsor for Frederick, but that he would have to leave the problem up to the real head of the family, the beaming little alert pioneer, Great-grandfather Peter, aged 107.

Major Somers had seen Irish immigrants of the tender age of 10 who spoke nothing but Gaelic, the only language the Major does not know, but he never had seen a centenarian. He could not recall that there was any age limit on immigrants. While he was meditating the head of the family drew from a large and very fat pocketbook a lot of money and securities, the total value which was \$4,500. This he thought might indicate that he did not intend to be a burden on the community.

Great-grandfather George and his son, Frederick, then straightened out things. The centenarian was a farmer in southern Russia. His son George's sons had gone away to North Dakota many years ago and had reared children and grandchildren. George felt the call of the West and broached the subject of immigrating to America to Peter. The centenarian had a strong desire to look at those Yankee youngsters he had heard about, and finally after half a year's consideration, a proper German intimation, decided that he would cross the Atlantic and grow up with the new country. He is a Mennonite, a hard worker and a man of proper piety, as his son says. That is why the head of the family had charge of the funds. They alone would have admitted him, but he had affidavits from his grandsons, who are prosperous farmers in North Dakota, that they are willing and able to take care of Great-grandfather Peter for the rest of his days, which, judging from the appearance of the little man yesterday, may some time make him the oldest man that ever has lived in America. The family says it has the record to prove that he is just as old as he says.

Great-grandfather Peter said he rather liked sea travel, particularly on a ship as the *Lolanta*, which he had heard was much faster than the ships that used to bring folks here when he was a boy. He said he had seen Halley's comet several times on the trip, and declared it was not nearly so impressive as the same visitor when it came before. He could not recall having seen it the time before that, but he heard his father, who died at the age of 108, talk about it. He said he never saw it himself but had seen many other comets much more impressive than the one that is fading in the west now.

The gallant old boy traveled in the stateroom and found it very liking. He will go west on an immigrant train, as he does not believe in the expensive frills of travel. He does not speak any English, but he has hopes that he may learn enough to talk. The question as to whether a great-grandchild before he is put away under a stone on which there will be inscribed the declaration that he was the most ancient pioneer ever tracked farming in the wild West.

## TAFT RALLY IN WISCONSIN.

Plan of Coming Convention Is to Try to Eliminate La Follette.

MILWAUKEE, June 4. Wisconsin followers of President Taft will make a determined effort this week to swing the State into line definitely for Taft. The convention will be held on June 8, and the movement is seen to have the endorsement of the President's Cabinet from the fact that Vice-President Sherman will be one of the speakers.

In many quarters it is believed that the coming convention is the direct outcome of the decision of the advisers of President Taft to try to sweep La Follette off the political map by forcing a repudiation of the radical Senator by his own State. The leaders in the movement for a convention next week make no secret of the fact that their real aim is the elimination of La Follette from office.

County conventions were held in all parts of Wisconsin to-day to name delegates to the convention. The La Follette primary was the only one in which the convention to nominate candidates for office. The coming convention is in defiance of that law and the ticket selected will be merely the choice of the Taft Republicans of the State. To make the nomination of candidates to the State Convention effective the men nominated will have to win at the polls in September.

## REGRETS HER ACT AND DEED.

Says She Delivered It for \$100, Not Knowing That It Was Worth Thousands.

The summons and complaint was filed yesterday in a suit brought by Florine A. Everson against Isaac N. Hobberd of 1 West Eighty-third street and his wife, Ella L., to set aside a deed to a strip of land at 180th street and Third avenue. The Bronx, which she says is worth thousands of dollars, but which she transferred to the Eversons for \$100. She declares that in 1905 she owned land at the southern corner of what was the Fordham avenue and Quary road, and Heberd, acting for his wife, told her he wanted to clear up technicalities concerning the road and asked her to sign a release of any claim she had. He told her her frontage on the road was not more than half an inch, if that much.

The plaintiff says that she had never been on the property, but has since learned that she signed away a strip 212 feet by 10 feet, which is the most valuable part of the corner lot and the real heart of her property.

**1,500 Children Picnic in Central Park.**

One thousand little girls assembled in front of the Normal College yesterday and marched to the East Green in Central Park, where they held a June picnic under the auspices of the Normal College Alumnae Association. The picnic was a very successful one, and the girls were very happy. The picnic was held on the East Green in Central Park, where they held a June picnic under the auspices of the Normal College Alumnae Association. The picnic was a very successful one, and the girls were very happy.

## CRUISE OF THE MIDSHIPMEN

Will Be Made for the First Time on Modern Battleships—Begins Officially.

ANNAPOIS, June 4.—The first cruise of the brigade of midshipmen to foreign waters since 1898 began officially this morning, when the three classes, numbering about 520, embarked on the battleships Iowa, Indiana and Massachusetts, forming the summer practice fleet commanded by Capt. George R. Clark. The fleet will not sail until Monday, but the vessels have gone into commission for the cruise and no leave will be granted midshipmen until the first foreign port, Plymouth, England, is reached, about June 23.

The cruise is without precedent because it is the first that the midshipmen have taken in modern fighting ships and because a larger number of midshipmen will be in foreign ports at the same time than at any time in the history of the navy. When the last foreign cruise was made, in 1898, the brigade numbered less than half what it does now.

The embarkation began at about 9:30 o'clock this morning and was concluded shortly before 11. Each midshipman carried his clothes bag and a dress suit case. They were taken to the ships in the tug Standish and launches. The Massachusetts was in the harbor about two hundred yards from the ship wharf, but the Iowa and Indiana were four miles out.

It is planned to give the midshipmen three days leave while at Plymouth, with permission to visit London. For this reason the midshipmen were allowed to carry suit cases with dress clothing. It is hoped that the midshipmen may visit London in a body. The other foreign ports to be visited are Marseilles, Gibraltar, Madeira and the Azores. The midshipmen will be required to do the full duty of a bluejacket on watch, at the wheel and in the fire room and engine room, down to washing their own clothes. There will also be a rigorous routine daily, practical work and studies. They will return about August 29. The midshipmen will then have leave for a month, but those who receive above a certain number of demerits during the cruise will lose part of it.

The Massachusetts was the first battleship to enter Annapolis harbor, it being made possible through the dredging of a thirty-three foot channel some years ago. Taking her out this afternoon was a university boat as she drew about two more feet of water owing to the addition of the midshipmen and the supplies for the trip across the ocean.

## CONDUCT OF JUDGES.

Corporation Counsel Dismisses Criticism and Asks Justice Ford for Information.

Supreme Court Justice Ford publicly criticized the Corporation Counsel's office a few days ago for the manner in which defenses to cases brought against the city for damages on account of negligence were presented to the courts by the legal representatives of the city. Corporation Counsel Watson in a letter he sent yesterday to Justice Ford resented the imputation that his office was not alive to the city's interests and asked the Justice to point out some specific instances in which his department had been remiss in properly presenting cases to the courts. As Justice Ford was not sitting yesterday Mr. Watson will have to wait until to-morrow before he can expect an answer to his letter, which concluded by saying:

I trust that you were misquoted in what would otherwise appear to be an unjustified criticism. I have at any time indulged in general criticism of the Judges of our court. I have the utmost respect for the position of Supreme Court Justice, and with but few exceptions I have always entertained the same sentiment toward the incumbents of that high position. But the entire series of cases that I was editor of *Brooklyn Post* it was my privilege to have frequent opportunity to pay deserved tributes of respect to the Supreme Court bench of New York county. Indeed I have more than once inveighed against slighting remarks by lawyers concerning the performance of the judges. I have no doubt whether on or off the bench, holding that short of facts which would justify removal of the duty of the bar was to guard jealously the fair name and reputation of the judiciary.

## WILL OF WOMAN WHO DRANK.

Surrogate Admits to Probate the Disputed Brundage Testament.

Surrogate Thomas decided yesterday to admit to probate the will of Mrs. Caroline Amelia Brundage, widow of Major Frank Brundage of the Seventh Regiment. A niece, Mrs. Gertrude A. Forman, contested the will. Most of the \$250,000 estate goes to William H. Young, a nephew, and Mrs. Forman gets only the income of \$40,000. The Rev. Dr. Nathan Seagle, pastor of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, is a legatee for \$10,000 and was made executor of the will, and his church got \$7,000.

The Surrogate said that the will was prepared by a reputable attorney having no interest in its provisions, and the credibility of the three subscribing witnesses, who said Mrs. Brundage was of sound mind when she signed the will, was not attacked.

"The evidence established that she used alcoholic stimulants for years, at times to a degree that rendered her stupid and unfit for the transaction," said the Surrogate. "But at other times she was sober," says the Surrogate. "Her condition, like that of others who drink, varied from perfect sobriety through the various grades of tipsiness to total mental derangement. The question as to whether at the time she executed the proposed paper she was sober or so drunk as to deprive her of testamentary capacity was sharply litigated. On all the evidence I am of the opinion that at that time she was not so much under the influence of alcoholics as to prevent her from fully understanding the nature of the business before her or destroy her memory as to the contents of the will. The Surrogate is to see to the persons who were the object of her bounty."

## ACCUSED OF BURNING TAXI.

Charge Following Destruction of Vehicle at Coney Island.

On Decoration Day a taxi cab belonging to the Green Taxi Cab Company of 151 Clymer street, Brooklyn, was stolen and burned at Coney Island to the diversion of many people.

Last night Charles Forrester of 235 East Thirty-second street was arrested on a warrant issued by Magistrate Tighe. The warrant charges him with "aiding other persons unknown" to destroy the green taxi cab. The taxi cab was owned by Frederick Koppel of the taxi cab company, who said last night:

"Forrester, I believe, is an officer of some chauffeurs' union. We have a strike among our men. He came to me to help in the strikers several times. He threatened the burning of our cars, and after the destruction of one at Coney Island he referred to it as if he knew how it came about."

These chauffeurs are after a salary instead of commissions.

**Irene Club at Mrs. Speyer's.**

Mr. and Mrs. James Speyer yesterday entertained 250 members of the Irene Club of the Working Girls Association at their country place at Scarborough-on-the-Hudson. The Speyers furnished a series of entertainments for their guests that included a trip over the estate, fanned for its flower gardens, a vaudeville performance and a concert and dance, followed by refreshments. The Irene Club, of which Mrs. Speyer is president and Mrs. Speyer is treasurer, is an organization of twenty-six years standing.



## The Telephone is a Blessing to the Convalescent

THERE is no better tonic for a convalescent than to be able to talk with his friends and to begin to pick up the thread of his usual activities. The telephone is a real blessing in enabling him to do this.

A man of affairs recently said to us:

"I really believe the telephone hastened my recovery. By means of the telephone in my room I was able during my convalescence to keep constantly informed regarding my business affairs. In this way the telephone did much to relieve me of the worry and anxiety that I would otherwise have felt during my enforced absence from the office."

"The doctors all agree that anything that tends to banish worry aids recovery. Therefore, I feel grateful to my telephone."

The telephone is a comfort and convenience in health; in illness it is indispensable.



By the way, have you a telephone in your home?

## New York Telephone Company

Every Bell Telephone is a Long Distance Station

## COCKRAN'S CLIENT ACQUITTED

COUNSEL SAYS OUR POLICE ARE INEFFICIENT DETECTIVES.

Describes Capt. Walsh as a Policeman Whose Chief Capital is Swagger and Bravado—The Third Degree Called the Ignorant Man's Shortest Way.

W. Bourke Cockran, summing up yesterday for the defense in the case of Victor Nelson, a negro acquitted last night in General Sessions of the murder of his roommate, Claude Humphreys, declared that no police force in all the world is so inefficient in unravelling crime as is the force of this city.

Humphreys was killed in a laundry at 104 East 126th street on March 28, and Nelson set up a plea of self-defense. Mr. Cockran was appointed by Judge Malone to defend Nelson, who is only 19 years old. The case went to the jury at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon after a week's trial. At 6 o'clock the jury came in and asked that the statement of Nelson on the direct examination be read. The jury went out again shortly before 8 o'clock and half an hour later returned with a verdict of acquittal. Referring to the police, Mr. Cockran said:

"Remember that the policeman's business is to convict the culprit when crime has been committed in a neighborhood. Some policemen do that well and convict the real culprit. Other policemen are stupid and brutal and fabricate evidence which they have not the intelligence to discover."

"I do not wish to make any general reflection on the police force of this city, for in one respect they are a splendid body of men—in whatever requires physical courage and a pretty high conception of duty to the public that involves the sacrifice of personal comfort. They can suppress a riot and they show great heroism at fires and maintain good order in the streets."

"But, gentlemen, there is no police force in all this world so absolutely inefficient in the discovery of crime that has been committed. There is not a great city in the world where the list of undiscovered crimes is so great as with this force. You have but to read the list which was published the other day in one of the newspapers to see the appalling conditions. There is scarcely one single murder where the culprit has got away and finally been run down now, which is this? It is because the prosecuting officers tolerate such evidence as that fellow Walsh (Capt. Walsh) gave upon the witness stand. Here is a policeman whose chief capital is swagger and bravado. He took the shortest way that an ignorant man can see to a conclusion; that was the third degree—taking an unfortunate fellow creature for the first time accused of crime and bullying him into admissions. Doubtless if he had said to the prisoner 'Did you bite him?' he would have admitted it rather than provoke the hostility of the fellow who was here on the witness stand."

Capt. Walsh of the East 126th street station testified that Nelson said to him that he had killed Humphreys and that he did not regret it.

Nelson had many character witnesses, among them the white superintendent and principal of the Cleveland, Ohio, high school, which he attended up to two years ago.

## SEARCH FOR A. C. ROGERS.

Alaska Hunt for Missing Son of Admiral W. G. Rogers Begun.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 4.—With the melting of the snow in Alaska the search for Alexander C. Rogers, son of Rear Admiral W. G. Rogers, commandant of the Puget Sound Navy Yard, has resumed under the direction of Lieut. John Rogers, brother of the missing boy.

The lost youth who was a great-grandson of Commodore Perry, was 21 years old when he left on a summer trip in Alaska last June, tempted by stories of adventure in the north. He wrote from Valdez on July 10, saying that he was able to start for Fairbanks by the overland trail. That was the last word from him directly. His movements were followed along more than half the trail, and then all trace of him was lost.

## WORK AT PEARL HARBOR.

W. F. Dillingham Says That It Is Going Ahead Favorably.

W. F. Dillingham of Honolulu, who as general manager of the Hawaii Dredging Company and local manager for the San Francisco Bridge Company is in charge of the entire development of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, has got back from about a month's trip to Europe. Just a few days after Mr. Dillingham got away from New York in that direction the telegraph brought reports that much of the work he had been doing in Pearl Harbor had been destroyed by sand being washed into the channel.

He was not informed of this wireless, however, and when he reached the other side his friends were able to inform him that the reports were unfounded and Mr. Dillingham proceeded to carry out his chief purpose in going to Europe, to get married. In Florence, Italy, on May 2, he wedded Miss Louise Giavoli of Chicago, spent the early part of his honeymoon automobiling, and now he is on his way to Washington to take action. I anticipate that he will take action in the Navy Department before taking his bride back to Honolulu.

"Since I reached New York," said Mr. Dillingham, "the Holland Home has had reports that show that the work on the channel and the dry dock is progressing satisfactorily. The only thing hanging fire is the final passage of the naval bill embodying an appropriation for an increase in size of the proposed dry dock from 620 to 814 feet. As the matter now stands we are not in a position to place orders for the lumber for the dry dock. I anticipate that within the next two months the excavation for the dry dock will be practically completed and contracts will have been closed for cement, of which we shall require in the neighborhood of 200,000 barrels."

"As for the harbor work, we now have three dredges at work on the entrance of the channel and expect before the end of the year to have two other machines in operation. We are already aware of our contract time by several months and we have excavated 1,300,000 cubic yards. There is no question that the dredging contract will be finished within the time required by the contract. As for the dry dock, it is too early to say how soon that will be finished, but it is safe to predict that in the latter part of 1912 Pearl Harbor will be open to navigation by any battleship drawing less than thirty-five feet and that it will have a dry dock large enough to accommodate the biggest warship afloat."

## TO AID ITALIAN DEPOSITORS.

Objection to Postal Substations in Small Private Banks.

U. S. Congressman W. S. Bennet wrote yesterday from Washington to Managing Director N. Behar of the National Liberal Immigration League that he has every reason to expect that his alien bill to facilitate naturalization will be passed before Congress adjourns. He also notified the league that at its request he will bring about a change in the law by which